

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING A CLIENT DURING RUNTIME  
FROM HOSTILE DOWNLOADABLES

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5           A system protects a client from hostile Downloadables. The system  
includes security rules defining suspicious actions and security policies defining  
the appropriate responsive actions to rule violations. The system includes an  
interface for receiving incoming Downloadable and requests made by the  
Downloadable. The system still further includes a comparator coupled to the  
10 interface for examining the Downloadable, requests made by the Downloadable  
and runtime events to determine whether a security policy has been violated, and  
a response engine coupled to the comparator for performing a violation-based  
responsive action.